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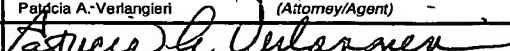
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## **INTERLOCKING HINGE MOUNT FOR TOP SCREEN FRAME OF A PROJECTION DISPLAY**

### **FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

The invention relates generally to a projection display and, in particular a frame for a projection display screen.

### **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

A problem that all projection display televisions have is keeping the top edge of the screen straight and in the proper location. Plastic cabinets provide nice aesthetics but have a tendency to bow along the top edge, aggravating the ability to keep the top edge of the screen straight and in location. This is an even more severe problem on projection display televisions that incorporate upangle optics because such televisions require a more accurate screen location with respect to the optics.

Prior art techniques that are used to hold the top edge of the screen include screws from behind the set that drive into bosses in the screen frame. However, access to the screws is a problem if the set is hanging on the wall. Another prior art technique uses metal brackets or wooden blocks along the top edge of the cabinet that allow the screen frame to hook on and swing down into position. However, these mounting systems rely on the straightness and stiffness of the basic cabinet to keep the top edge of the screen straight and in location. These blocks or brackets are always intermittent and do not hold the screen along its entire length which may lead to slight undulations in the top edge of the screen frame.

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION**

The present invention, shown in FIGS. 1-3, provides an extruded metal hinge mechanism that keeps the top of the projection display television screen frame straight and allows the screen assembly to be removed from the front with no screws.

Two aluminum extrusions work in concert as a continuous stiffener for the screen frame and cabinet and also incorporate a hinge detail that allows the screen frame to be easily removed from the front of the set without removing screws from behind. By being continuous, the two aluminum extrusions keep the top edge of the screen and screen frame straight.

When mounted to a plastic cabinet, these extrusions form a low profile, structural member along the top edge of the cabinet. This structural member can be tied into other structural members of the cabinet to help maintain the critical location of the screen frame. Along with being very low cost to tool, aluminum extrusions tend to be inherently straight, stiff and stable as compared to other parts such as plastic extrusions, formed sheet metal, wood, or molded plastic.

Additionally, since the extrusions are linear, it is relatively inexpensive to incorporate "light stop" details that reduce harmful effects of stray light in the cabinet. This basic hinge concept is also applicable with roll formed sheet metal or sheet metal parts made on progressive dies.

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FIGURE 1: THE SCREEN FRAME ASSEMBLED TO THE UPPERMAIN FROM THE FRONT AND THE BACK

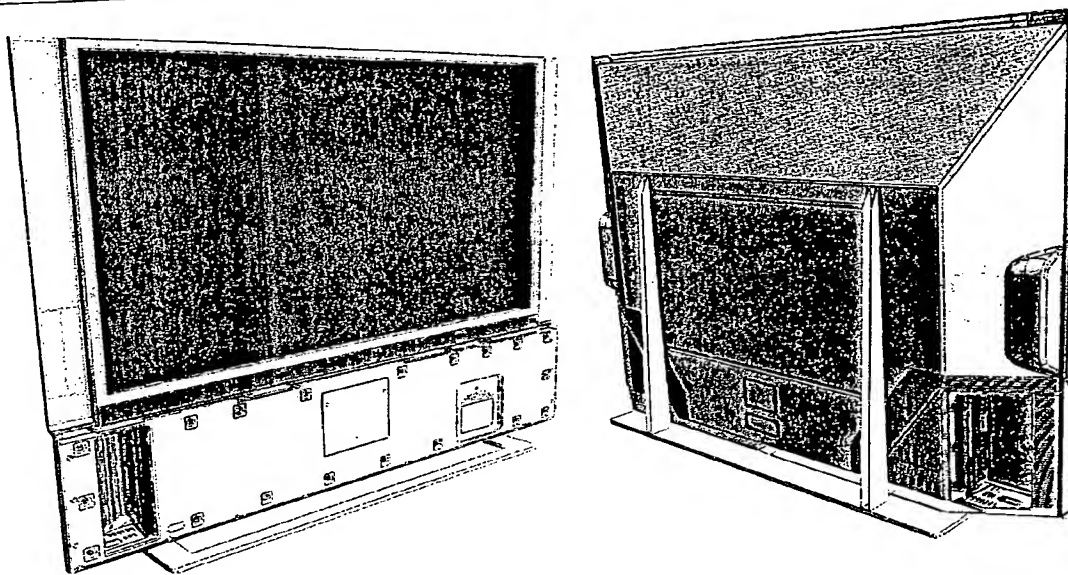


FIGURE 2: THE HINGE ASSEMBLED AND EXPLODED

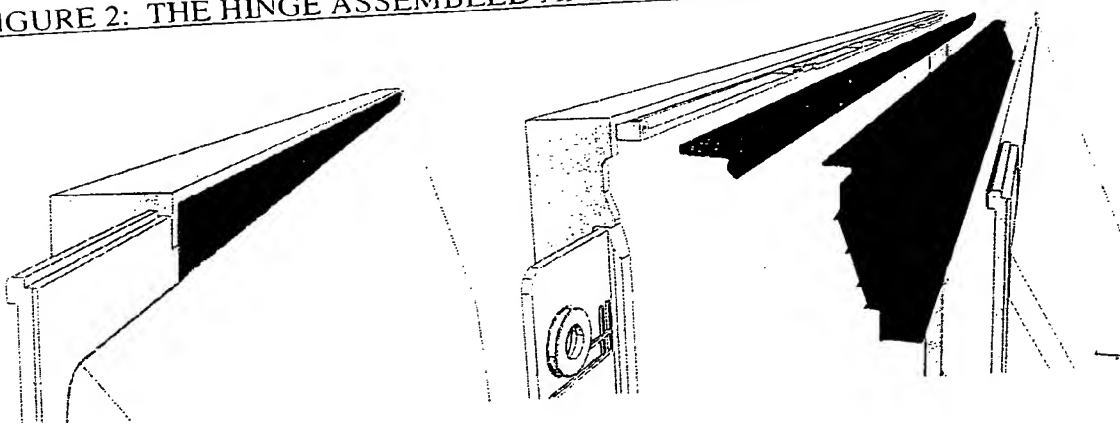


FIGURE 3: SECTIONS OF THE HINGE BEFORE AND AFTER ASSEMBLY

